

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

Eastern District of Pennsylvania

United States of America

v.

William Peterman

Case No.

17-54-M

Defendant(s)

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date(s) of January 10, 2017 in the county of Berks in the
Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the defendant(s) violated:

Code Section

18 U.S.C. 871(a)

Offense Description

Threat to kill the President of the United States

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

SEE ATTACHED AFFIDAVIT

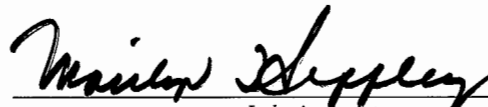
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 Complainant's signature

Laura Backner, US Secret Service Special Agent

Printed name and title

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.

Date: January 13, 2017

 Judge's signature
City and state: Philadelphia, PA

Marilyn Heffley, US Magistrate Judge

Printed name and title

AFFIDAVIT

LAURA BACKNER, being duly sworn, states the following under oath:

1. I am a Special Agent with the United States Secret Service and have been so employed for fifteen years, since December 17, 2001. I am currently assigned to the Philadelphia Field Office, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Among my duties is the investigation of threats to the President of the United States and other public officials. The information set forth in this affidavit is from my own investigation and information obtained by me from the target, WILLIAM PETERMAN, other law enforcement personnel, and Facebook, and is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

2. This affidavit is in support of an application for a complaint and warrant for the arrest of WILLIAM PETERMAN.

3. Based upon the statements contained in this affidavit, I have probable cause to believe that WILLIAM PETERMAN threatened to kill the President of the United States, Barack Hussein Obama, on or about January 10, 2017, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 871(a).

4. On or about January 12, 2017, your affiant confronted WILLIAM PETERMAN at the Burlington County Jail. I read the *Miranda* warnings to PETERMAN, allowed him to read the warnings from a printed sheet, and then discussed the warnings with him. Afterwards, PETERMAN agreed to waive his *Miranda* warnings and discuss his recent posting on his Facebook page. PETERMAN confirmed that he authored a threat to kill the President of the United States that was posted to his Facebook

account on or about January 10, 2017 at 3:15 a.m., while PETERMAN was staying at a hotel in Reading, Pennsylvania. See Exhibit A.

5. WILLIAM PETERMAN provided your affiant with an oral statement and your affiant recorded his comments verbatim, which included: "I typed the words and posted them. He wronged me (Obama). He got sex for himself." Referring to a speech that President Obama delivered on or about the evening of January 10, 2017, PETERMAN stated that in that speech, President Obama said to PETERMAN, "Will, I fucked her." PETERMAN interpreted President Obama's alleged statement to mean that President Obama had engaged in sexual intercourse with PETERMAN's alleged fiancé. Therefore, President Obama had given PETERMAN "permission to kill him."


6. Your affiant obtained confirmation from Econo Lodge, 2310 Fraver Drive, Reading, PA, that WILLIAM PETERMAN stayed overnight at that hotel on January 10, 2017.

7. On or about January 12, 2017, at approximately 1:00 p.m., WILLIAM PETERMAN, while either in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania or the District of New Jersey, posted another threat to kill the President of the United States on his Facebook page. See Exhibits B and C.

8. Based on my training and experience and discussions with other agents involved in this investigation, I believe that on or about January 10, 2017, WILLIAM PETERMAN knowingly and willfully made a threat to kill the President of the United States, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 871(a).

9. Accordingly, your affiant requests the issuance of a Complaint charging this offense and a warrant for the arrest of WILLIAM PETERMAN.

Because this investigation is ongoing, I respectfully request that this affidavit and related documents be sealed until further notice by the Court.


LAURA BACKNER
Special Agent
United States Secret Service

Sworn and subscribed before me
this 13th day of January 2017

BY THE COURT:

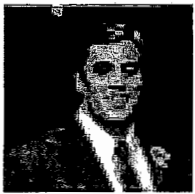

HONORABLE MARILYN HEFFLEY
United States Magistrate Judge

EXHIBIT A



Friends · Nothing to show

POSTS



William Peterman

Just now ·

President \ Expresident \ nonformer President
Barack Hussein Obama, II; I will kill you.

Because abuse by duress, statutory rape \
sexual assault, and repeated 'obligation'
yours to prefell or to fell later by prior sin
against mine not confessed rather attempted
to be fed is violation against Mine.

You deserve nothing.

WilliamPeterman,junior



Like



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William Peterman

EXHIBIT B



Anita

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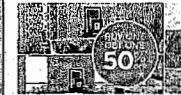
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Intro

Beaufort SC 29906

Studied at The College of New Jersey

Went to Shawnee High School

From East Norriton, Pennsylvania



William Peterman

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EXHIBIT C

President \ Ex-president \ non-former president Barack Hussein Obama, II;

I will tell you.

opened threat to a President for attempting to prefall or to fall later by
prior truth against a Stolarperson, statutory rape \ adultery, and abuse by
direct. He very much erred by believing that permission was given by
commanding officer Richard Benjamin Olt; he said, 2050 December, and know, II.

"If he says, Anyone, (then) he decides who."

"What did he ask?"

"May I tell you?"

"Anyone may have that permission, Bill. Did you give permission?"

"No."

"You (must be) (eighteen years old) or married to give that permission
have to be 18

and when married you're not allowed to give that permission."

He qualified and originally believed to being eighteen years old and
not married.